

Publicly Funded Optometric Services in Ontario

Who	Eye Examinations	Eyewear	What You Need
Children aged 0 to 19 years	One full eye exam every year Partial eye exams to check (or re-check) an eye problem	No	Valid OHIP card
Adults aged 20 to 64 years	One full eye exam every year for those with: <i>diabetes mellitus, glaucoma, cataract, retinal disease, corneal disease, amblyopia (lazy eye), strabismus (turned eye), optic pathway disease, recurrent uveitis, or visual field defects</i> OR A referral with a valid requisition form from a physician or nurse practitioner RN (EC) for a medical condition affecting the eye Partial eye exams to re-check an eye problem after a full eye exam	No	Valid OHIP card
Seniors aged 65 and above	One full eye exam every year Partial eye exams to check (or re-check) an eye problem	No	Valid OHIP card
Recipients of the MCSS Ontario Disability Support Program	One full eye exam once every two years	Yes	Valid OHIP card Drug Benefit Card
Recipients of the MCSS Ontario Works Program	One full eye exam once every two years	Yes	Valid OHIP card Drug Benefit Card
Registered First Nations and Recognized Inuit Residents	One full eye exam every two years for adults aged 20 to 64 years, or when there is a change or correction in vision	Yes	Registration number from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada